# *Executive Proclamation*
# *State of South Dakota*
# *Office of the Governor*

***Whereas***, Water follows a natural cycle from Earth to air to Earth again; and,

***Whereas***, Water is a basic and essential need of every living creature; and,

***Whereas,*** Our health, comfort, and standard of living depend upon an abundant supply of safe drinking water; and,

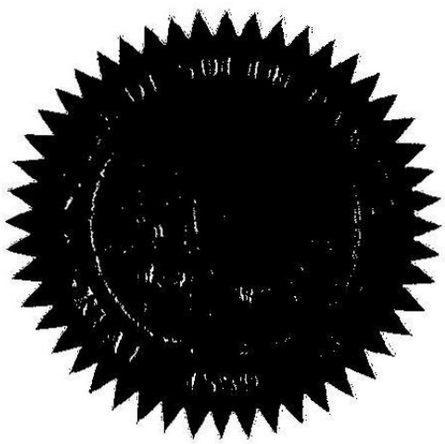
***Whereas***, The citizens of our state should have a safe and dependable supply of water both now and in the future; and,

***Whereas,*** We are calling upon each citizen to help protect our source waters from pollution, practicing water conservation, and getting involved in local water issues:

***Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds***, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 2-8, 2004, as

## *DRINKING WATER WEEK*

in South Dakota.



***In Witness Whereof***, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

**Attest:**

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State